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REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE Nov 13 1977

FULL NAME ROBERT C SAMPLE
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

ADDRESS 255 GAY ST. WOOD DALE ILL 60191

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

DATE OF BIRTH 1941 (This is important and should be exact)

APPROXIMATE AGE 36 (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

RELIGION NCT SPECIFIC NATIONALITY Caucasian

OCCUPATION POLICE OFFICER

EDUCATION HIGH SCHOOL WITH VARIOUS COLLEGE COURSES - NO DEGREE

WEIGHT 150-155 COLOR WHITE HEIGHT 5'10"

COLOR OF HAIR BROWN COLOR OF EYES BROWN

OUTSTANDING CHARACTERISTICS OR INTERESTS SCOUTING, ELECTRONICS BOATING

MARRIED OR SINGLE DIVORCED CHILDREN NONE

WIFE'S NAME CATHY (Number, ages, and names, if possible)

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

UNIT #	CITY	STATE	OFFICE	DATE REGISTERED	DATE RESIGNED
P34, T65	WOOD DALE ILL		COMMUNITY UNIT	1965	

SPECIAL RECOGNITION NONE

RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIDENTIAL FILE FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

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SPECIFY THE FACTS WHICH LEAD YOU TO RECOMMEND INDIVIDUAL FOR CONFIDENTIAL FILE AND LIST SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

SEE THREE ATTACHED NEWS ARTICLES DETAILING INCIDENT AND ENDING IN CONVICTION AND SENTENCING.

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JOSEPH L. ANGLIM

Signed Walter N. Fournier
SCOUT EXECUTIVE
Council W. P. As Area Council

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Ex-Wood Dale cop's sex trial opens today

A FORMER Wood Dale police sergeant will go on trial in McHenry County Circuit Court today on two counts of allegedly taking indecent liberties with a child.

The counts stem from a February Boy Scout camping trip in McHenry County in which the former policeman, Robert Sample, 36, went along as an assistant.

Sample, of Wood Dale, resigned last week from the department shortly before the city board of fire and police commissioners was to hear charges against him on conduct unbecoming an officer and willful maltreatment.

THE CHARGES have been turned over to the Du Page County state's attorney's office, but no further action is expected.

Three boys, 12 to 14 years old, were scheduled to testify at the board hearing against Sample in connection with other camping trips of Boy Scout Troop 65 that Sample attended.

The investigation against Sample began in February when parents of one youth went to the Illinois Bureau of Investigation with allegations that their son had been abused.

IN MARCH, Sample was indicted in McHenry County. Shortly after, he committed himself to the psychiatric ward at Alexian Brothers Medical Center, Elk Grove Village. He has since left the center.

He was suspended without pay from the police department in March.

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Sentencing Aug. 25 in Scout sex case

By Michael Sneed

A FORMER Wood Dale police sergeant and Boy Scout leader is to be sentenced Aug. 25 in McHenry County Circuit Court for contributing to the sexual delinquency of a child.

He was identified Thursday as Robert C. Sample, 35, of 255 Gay St. in the suburb, a leader of Wood Dale Boy Scout Troop 65.

He was arrested after the parents of a 13-year-old scout told state law enforcement authorities that Sample had molested the youth on an overnight outing.

Sample pleaded guilty to the sexual delinquency charge July 13, after the more serious charge of taking indecent liberties with a child was reduced through plea bargaining, according to records in the office of McHenry County State's Atty. William Cowan.

"We did not want to put the child through the anguish of a trial and were satisfied with Sample's resignation from the police force and his subsequent counseling," said assistant State's Atty. Haskell M. Pitluck.

SAMPLE, WHO is married, was suspended from the Wood Dale police force after his indictment March 11 by a McHenry County grand jury.

The parents of the 8th grade Boy Scout said they sought help from state law enforcement officials because Sample was a Wood Dale policeman.

Special agents William O'Sullivan and Edward Cisowski, then employed by the Illinois Bureau of Investigation, were assigned to investigate the charges, the Tribune learned.

The incident involving the 13-year-old scout reportedly took place in a Crystal Lake motel on the night of Feb. 11 while members of the troop were spending the weekend at a ski resort.

Sample was charged after all of the youths passed lie-detector tests, The Tribune learned.

He surrendered to McHenry County authorities on March 28 and originally entered a plea of innocent before Judge Conrad Floeter. Floeter is scheduled to sentence Sample Aug. 25 on the guilty plea.

Tribune Former Wood Dale cop jailed in scout sex case

A FORMER WOOD Dale police sergeant and Boy Scout leader was sentenced Thursday to serve six months at the Vandalia state correctional facility for contributing to the sexual delinquency of a child.

The former policeman, Robert C. Sample, 35, also was placed on two years' probation, according to a spokesman for the McHenry County state's attorney's office.

Sample, of 255 Gay St., Wood Dale, pleaded guilty to the sexual delinquency charge in July.

He was arrested after the parents of a 13-year-old scout told state law enforcement authorities that Sample molested the boy in a Crystal Lake motel while

members of the troop were spending the weekend at a ski resort.

Sample was charged after all the boys reportedly passed lie detector tests.

IN PRONOUNCING sentence, Judge Conrad Floeter, of McHenry County Circuit Court, noted that Sample held a position of trust and violated that trust.

However, the sentence was stayed pending possible appeal.

Sample was a leader of Boy Scout 65 in Wood Dale. He was suspended from the suburb's police force in March after he was indicted by a McHenry County grand jury.

Sample served for a year as Wood Dale's acting police chief in 1969 and 1970.

February 3, 1978

Mr. Walter D. Johnson
Council Executive
Dupage Area Council, No.148

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Robert C. Sample

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Thank you for your letter of November 11, and the newspaper clippings concerning the above Scouter. We have reviewed this case with our Attorney and have placed this man on our Confidential File.

We appreciate your efforts in this area.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director
Registration & Subscription Service

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November 11, 1977

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Mr. Paul Ernst, Director
Registration and Subscription Service
Boy Scouts of America
National Council
North Brunswick, New Jersey, 08902

Dear Mr. Ernst:

The attached newspaper clippings substantiate the necessity
of placing

Robert Sample
255 Gay Street
Wood Dale, Illinois, 60191

on the confidential file. He is currently registered as a
committee member of Troop 65, Wood Dale Fireman's Association.

The clippings tell the story. The initial news story did not
mention Scouting. We are told the boy involved was a non-Scout
invited to attend the troop outing.

Sincerely,

Walter D. Johnson
Walter D. Johnson
Scout Executive

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